

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) Grinding disk (100) for being rotationally driven on a driven shaft (202) of a grinding machine (200), in particular of a hand grinder, which grinding disk has at least one supporting plate (10) with at least two cuts or openings ~~one cut or opening~~ (20) through which the abrasive dust (300) which develops when grinding can be sucked by means of at least one suction bell (206) placed in or on the grinding machine (200), wherein each ~~the~~ cut or opening (20) is configured aerodynamically and substantially oval with two longitudinal side ~~lateral~~ edges (24, 26) and a longitudinal center line (22) that extends approximately as ~~with the shape of~~ an arc of a circle, wherein each ~~the~~ cut or opening (20) widens towards ~~extends in direction of~~ a peripheral edge (14) of the supporting plate (10), wherein each ~~the~~ cut or opening (20) tapers in the direction of a center ~~the middle~~ of the grinding disk, whereby only one edge (26) of the longitudinal side edges (24, 26) ~~later edge (26) that turns closed the peripheral edge of the grinding disk~~ is ground

or chamfered and ~~so that the ground surface~~ tapers toward a center ~~the middle~~ of the grinding disk, wherein a bottom side (16) of the support plate (10) that faces away from the grinding machine (200) has a plurality of air guiding ducts (28) that lead to the cuts (20), wherein the bottom side (16) of the support plate has at least one raised edge section (30) at a periphery of the plate and/or between at least two cuts or openings (20) at least one molding (40) is provided on which at least one cushion or pad (60) can be mounted for removably fixing at least one abrasive disk (80).

2. (Canceled)

3. (Previously presented) Grinding disk according to claim 1, wherein the cut or opening (20) extends from the center (12) of the supporting plate (10) radially to the peripheral edge (14) of the supporting plate (10).

4. (Canceled)

5. (Canceled)

6. (Canceled)

7. (Canceled)

8. (Currently amended) Grinding disk according to claim 1, wherein at least one radially extending stiffening web (50) is provided on or in the supporting plate (10) so as to stiffen and intercept pressure loads of the supporting plate.

9. (Currently amended) Grinding disk according to claim 8, wherein the supporting plate has at least two cuts or openings (20), and wherein the stiffening web (50)

- is provided on the surface (18) of the supporting plate which faces the grinding machine (200) and/or
- runs at least partially in the area between the at least two cuts or openings (20).

10. (Previously presented) Grinding machine (200), in particular a hand grinder, comprising at least one grinding disk (100) according to claim 1.